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# (U) CALIFORNIA

# (U) Anaheim - High School Students Arrested in School Violence Plot

(U) Two Savanna High School students were arrested yesterday on suspicion of plotting acts of violence at the Orange County campus, including placing bombs and committing shootings. School administrators contacted Anaheim police early yesterday after learning of the threats posted online. Anaheim police, working with school personnel, quickly identified, and found the two students involved in the alleged plan. Based on the information and evidence, the students were arrested on suspicion of making criminal threats and booked at Orange County Juvenile Hall.

SOURCE: 25 May 2017, LA Times

### (U) NATIONAL

#### (U) Arizona – Man with Four Guns, Knife Arrested at Comicon

(U) Phoenix – Police arrested a man armed with four firearms and a knife at Phoenix Comicon yesterday afternoon, prompting officials to increase security screening and outlaw costume props for the rest of the event. The man, who was wearing body armor, was carrying three handguns and one shotgun, along with ammunition, a knife, and a variety of handheld weapons, according to a Phoenix police spokeswoman, who also said the man intended to harm Phoenix police and had been taking pictures of officers, including those patrolling Comicon, and posting them on social media. A woman who knows him alerted police to his activities, officials said. Police did not immediately release the man's name but said he was 30 years old and a local resident.

SOURCE: 25 May 2017, AZ Central

#### (U) Florida – Coast Guard Intercepts Six in Suspected Human Smuggling Operation

(U) Fort Lauderdale – Three Jamaicans, an Israeli, a Jordanian, and one person who claimed to be a U.S. citizen were transferred over to the U.S. Border Patrol on Wednesday in what the U.S. Coast Guard is calling a suspected smuggling case. The 36-foot cabin cruiser carrying the group was intercepted Tuesday by a Miami-ported Coast Guard cutter ship. The crew conducted a "safety boarding" on the ship about 11 miles off the coast of Fort Lauderdale. Initially, the operator of the cruiser told officials there were two people aboard, but the boarding team found four others during its search, the Coast Guard said. Border Patrol agents in Fort Lauderdale will investigate the case, with prosecution possible. SOURCE: 25 May 2017, Miami Herald

# (U) INTERNATIONAL

## (U) Egypt – Gunmen Kill at Least 28 in Bus Ambush

(U) Cairo – Masked gunmen opened fire on a caravan of Christian pilgrims heading to a monastery south of Cairo, killing at least 28 men, women, and children, according to the local governor and Egyptian security and health officials. The attack came one month after Pope Francis visited Egypt in part to show his support for the Christians in the Muslim majority Arab nation who have been increasingly targeted by militants. The ministry said there were between 8 and 10 attackers dressed in military uniforms. The

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statement said the assailants were "randomly shooting" at the caravan of pilgrims. Egyptian President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi called a meeting of his security council as the government vowed to track down the killers. The prime minister headed to the scene of the attack, which came on the eve of the holy Muslim month of Ramadan.

SOURCE: 26 May 2017, USA Today

# (U) Germany – Manchester Bomber Passed Through Germany and Turkey Before Attack

(U) Berlin – German officials reported that Salman Abedi spent a short time at Dusseldorf airport's transit area four days before the bombing at Manchester Arena. The suspected bomber in the concert attack in Britain passed through Germany and Turkey before the attack, authorities said yesterday. Abedi spent only a short time at Dusseldorf airport's transit area four days before the bombing. Police didn't provide any further information or say where Abedi was coming from when he landed in Dusseldorf.

SOURCE: 25 May 2017, The Star

# (U) Greece – Ex-Prime Minister Injured in Car Blast

(U) Athens – Former Greek Prime Minister Lucas Papademos has been injured by an explosion inside his car. Reports say the blast may have been caused by a letter bomb. Papademos had leg, arm, and stomach injuries, but officials said his condition was not a cause for concern. His driver was also injured but not seriously. Reports say at least one other person in the car was hurt. No group has so far claimed responsibility for yesterday's blast.

SOURCE: 25 May 2017, BBC

### (U) Philippines – Army Launches Attacks Against ISIS-Linked Group

(U) Marawi – Violence erupted for a third day in the restive southern province of Mindanao as the Philippine army sent in tanks and launched airstrikes against members of the Islamic State in Iraq and al-Sham (ISIS)-linked Maute group in the city of Marawi. A spokesperson for the armed forces, told reporters the army used very precise, surgical airstrikes, from attack helicopters to try and flush out the remaining 30 to 40 members of the group that clashed with government forces and besieged the city, leaving at least 21 dead. The fighting started Tuesday as government forces raided the safe house of Isnilon Hapilon, a leader of the extremist group Abu Sayyaf and believed to be a key figure for ISIS in Southeast Asia.

SOURCE: 25 May 2017, USA Today

### (U) United Kingdom - Police Arrest Another Man in Connection with Concert Attack

(U) Moss Side – Police in England arrested a man this morning in connection to Monday's attack at a concert that left 22 people dead. Police confirmed that a total of ten people have been arrested in connection with the investigation into the attack, perpetrated by suspected suicide bomber Salman Abedi. Two people, a man, and a woman, have since been released without charge, leaving eight men in custody for questioning, police said. In addition to those killed, 116 people received medical treatment at local hospitals for wounds from the blast. The National Health Service said 75 people were hospitalized.

SOURCE: 26 May 2017, ABC News

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